



GREATNESS AT PALOS VERDES

a statement prepared by the Board of Regents of Marymount College

When Los Angeles was born, the Estates of Palos Verdes were almost a day's journey from the main thoroughfare—the Camino Real. One took waterbottle and mule and traveled South-by-West, not always confident that a warm house and food awaited you at your destination.

Still, many were drawn to Palos Verdes' greatness. Here one stands at two thousand feet, seeming to be at the very rim of the world, looking down at the insignificance of all Man's works, lost in a majesty which is eternal, still unspoiled by the centuries. Here one finds the inner peace sought by all; a peace born of the knowledge of what one is, of the true relationships of man to his fellow, and the meaning of man in the sight and heart of his Creator.

There is a greatness at Palos Verdes, unique in its power, and we wish to share in it. We desire to join all those who have benefited from this power, gaining from them—and with them—the special strengths needed by Man in the most crucial century of all.

In return, we bring our gifts to you. Dedication - experience - work. The College we are creating will be **your** College; its aims carefully fashioned in the light of what Palos Verdes is, and can become. When our eyes are turned to the State, to the Country, and even to the World, our hearts will tell us that we are always "Marymount College at Palos Verdes."

Like the travelers of old, we have embarked on a journey. Behind us is a generation of achievements, its fruits clearly seen in the hundreds of young women who are proud to be our past students. They teach, they work in office or home; they are on every continent. Their strength is their vision of what is just and what is wise. Love of God and love of family are their cornerstones of progress.

Before us is our vision of the future. The changing world about us creates many needs—in numbers who must be educated, in the areas of science and human relations. Our course is clear, our destination known. We must not compromise our standards—in education and in human relationships; still we must find the space, the teachers, the equipment and the funds to expand our influence among those who seek it now, but who must be turned away.

All our hopes and dreams are in your land, and the buildings now being constructed on it. As the foundations are laid, as the walls and roofs cover the bareness of the soil, we see rooms filled with our young women. And yours. The young women of Palos Verdes are those who can fulfill our greatest hopes; in them we see our roots, our identity, our home.

A myriad choices await them. The new campus brings activity unknown before. Here they will develop skills for the professions, for the arts, for business. In separate buildings

devoted to Science, the Creative Arts, and Contemplative Study, they will mix and meet with the giants of our age, the great writers, philosophers, statesmen, educators and thinkers. Degrees awarded to them will imply new meanings, for **Marymount College at Palos Verdes** will connote a response to standards and ideals as high as any college in the land.

Nor will young women alone be educated. Our vision of greatness includes a place to which all may come, to be spectators or participants, to use free hours of leisure in making voyages of discovery. Our College will be a Community Center for thousands who wish to study—or merely enjoy—music, art and drama. And those who need special skills in order to advance their usefulness, those who see their goals, but who cannot attain them without training and qualifications will find Marymount College at Palos Verdes the vehicle by which their hopes become realized.

Our plans now call for **Marymount College at Palos Verdes** to commence its first academic year in September, 1960. Between now and then, we will dedicate ourselves to discovering new ways of serving you.

The shadow of the traveler of old falls on us and the past melts into the vision of the future.

We pray that we may earn the right to share in the greatness at Palos Verdes.

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